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In the application of:

Steven Teig, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

> USING CONNECTION GRAPHS WITH POTENTIAL DIAGONAL EDGES TO

MODEL INTERCONNECT

TOPOLOGIES DURING PLACEMENT

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 12/05/2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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